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Meet Rosalynn Carter at the Carter Library December 2nd

Free Reading & Book Signing

Atlanta, GA. – Don't miss the opportunity to meet former First Lady Rosalynn Carter at the Carter Presidential Library, Thursday, December 2nd at 7:00pm. Mrs. Carter will discuss her book *Within Our Reach: Ending the Mental Health Crisis*. A book signing will follow the discussion. No reservations are required, but seating is limited. Doors to the Carter Presidential Museum Theater open at 6:00pm; the discussion begins at 7:00pm and will be followed by a book signing. A Cappella Books will have copies of *Within Our Reach* available for purchase at the readings.

Mrs. Carter will only be signing *Within Our Reach* or other BOOKS she has written. She will personalize books, but in order to get to everyone, she will not be able to pose for photographs or sign items other than her BOOKS.

Mrs. Carter has been deeply invested in the issue of mental health since her husband's gubernatorial campaign when she saw firsthand the horrific, dehumanizing treatment of people with mental illnesses.

Using stories from her 35 years of advocacy to springboard into a discussion of the larger issues at hand, Carter crafts an intimate and powerful account of a subject previously shrouded in stigma and shadow, surveying the dimensions of an issue that has affected us all. She describes a system that continues to fail those in need, even though recent scientific breakthroughs with mental illness have potential to help most people lead more normal lives.

Within Our Reach is a seminal, searing, and ultimately optimistic look at how far we've come since Carter's days on the campaign trail and how far we have yet to go.

If you cannot attend, you can still purchase a signed (bookplate) copy of *Within Our Reach* by calling the Carter Library Museum Store at 404-865-7131.

For more information, call 404-865-7109. You can keep up with the Carter Library events on the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library page on Facebook or follow the CarterLibrary on Twitter.

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